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June 7, 2019

Dear Ms. Lynne S. Gessner ,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Letter of Protest/Comments to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. Your Letter of Protest/Comments will be placed in the Protest File of the Docket listed below and on the Commission's Website at www.psc.sc.gov.

- Docket No. 2018-358-WS - Verified Application of Carolina Water Service, Incorporated for Approval of Annual Rate Adjustment Mechanisms and Petition for an Accounting Order to Defer Expenses

A Protestant is an individual objecting on the ground of private or public interest to the approval of an Application, Petition, Motion or other matters which the Commission may have under consideration. A Protestant may offer sworn testimony but cannot cross-examine witnesses offered by other parties.

According to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, filing a Protest does not make you a Party of Record. A Protestant desiring to become an Intervenor (i.e., a Party of Record) in a proceeding before the Commission may file a Petition for Intervention within the time prescribed by the Commission.

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If we may be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,
Becky Latimer
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Date: *June 7, 2019

**Letter of Protest
in Docket 2018-358- WS**

Protestant Information:

Name *Lynne S. Gessner

Mailing Address *

City*Clover

State*South Carolina

Zip *29710

E-mail

1. What is your connection or interest in this case? * For example, are you a customer of the Company that is the subject of this pending proceeding? (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

I am a customer of Blue Granite living in the River Hills area of York County.

2. Please give a concise statement of your protest. * (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

I am protesting the proposed rate of increase submitted by Blue Granite. They have not provided good service in that they keep increasing rates, in spite of us already paying the highest water rates in the area. We had record rainfall in the Spring and have just been told that we are under strict water rations until October. Rumors abound as to why, but developers are building many areas around us, and no plans were made to accommodate this large increase. We the current and past home owners are now looking at burned out lawns, trees dying, recreation spoiled all because of this company's gross incompetence in management and performance. Many protests in the form of letters, calls and appeals have been ignored, and our county will not help us. There have been scheduled meetings and our needs were made known to our local government in York County, which fell on deaf ears. This problem of increase after increase, being billed even if no use was made of water by the residents has gone on too long and needs to be stopped/

Blue Granite's Annual Rate Adjustment Mechanism is way out of line and needs to be stopped.

3. Do you wish to make an appearance at a hearing in this proceeding, if scheduled, and offer sworn testimony? *No